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To: Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, Chair  
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Supervisor Don Knabe  
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From: William T Fujioka  
Chief Executive Officer

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## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FEE RATES

On July 24, 2007, your Board approved an increase of Public Health license, permit and service fees of approximately five percent effective Fiscal Year (FY) 2007-08. Additionally, on motion by Supervisor Knabe, your Board requested the Chief Executive Officer to report back to the Board prior to next year's fee increases on whether the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Environmental Health (EH) Division is operating in the most cost effective way possible, and whether yearly increases of this nature are disproportionately harmful to small locally owned restaurants.

The EH Division performs mandated regulatory activities related to food, housing, water, liquid and solid waste, and vectors. These regulatory activities promote a safe and healthy environment and are offset by license, permit and service fees. **An evaluation of the EH operation has determined that a fee increase is not necessary for FY 2008-09.** Should a fee increase be necessary for FY 2009-10, DPH will return to your Board for approval 60 days prior to the proposed fee increase. In addition, a rate analysis will be conducted to determine the appropriateness of such proposed increase towards small businesses.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact me or your staff may contact Tami Omoto-Frias of this office at (213) 893-9741 or [tomoto-frias@ceo.lacounty.gov](mailto:tomoto-frias@ceo.lacounty.gov).

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